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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT  
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF WEST VIRGINIA  
CHARLESTON DIVISION

IN RE: BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORP.,  
PELVIC REPAIR SYSTEM  
PRODUCTS LIABILITY LITIGATION

MDL NO. 2326

THIS DOCUMENT RELATES TO:

MISTEE & SHAUN ROBBINS, Plaintiffs

Vs.

2:12-cv-01413

BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION, Defendant

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HANNA WILKERSON, Plaintiff

Vs.

2:13-cv-04505

BOSTON SCIENTIFIC CORPORATION, Defendant

VIDEOTAPED DEPOSITION OF WILLIAM E. PORTER, M.D.

Tuesday, December 8, 2014

Charlotte, North Carolina

5:22 p.m.

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1 visit. And I put that she has difficulty  
2 exercising due to chronic pain.

3 Q. In your original report you wrote that  
4 on 12/2/2010 she had complaints of urinary  
5 incontinence, and that does not appear in your  
6 amended report; is that correct?

7 A. I don't see it in my amended report.

8 Q. And, in fact, she did not have  
9 complaints of urinary incontinence on that visit.  
10 She only reported a history of incontinence; is  
11 that correct?

12 A. I'd have to go through the medical  
13 record again, but I assume that's why I corrected  
14 it.

15 Q. Okay. And you know that on a visit  
16 shortly thereafter to Dr. Taylor on 12/9/2010 she  
17 denied incontinence; are you aware of that?

18 A. I don't have it in my record at 12/9  
19 that she has incontinence.

20 Q. You don't -- is it your opinion that  
21 Ms. Wilkerson is not suffering from incontinence?

22 A. That's -- to me -- let's see here. My  
23 last visit, she didn't have any complaints today of  
24 incontinence, so I assume she's not complaining of  
25 incontinence.

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1 Q. You're not here to offer an opinion  
2 that she has any incontinence or that it's caused  
3 by any mesh product? I mean, that will just save  
4 us some time. You're not saying that she's  
5 incontinent?

6 A. I am not.

7 Q. Okay. You do have a reference to the  
8 12/9 visit with Dr. Taylor in your -- in your  
9 report?

10 A. Correct.

11 Q. And you say that she reported  
12 progressive left groin pain and tenderness on the  
13 left sidewall. Do you have Dr. Taylor's record in  
14 front of you, the 12/9?

15 A. Yes.

16 Q. Isn't the actual reference that she has  
17 progressive left groin discomfort?

18 A. She has recurrent prolapse with  
19 pressure and vaginal bulging. She is postop but  
20 she has progressive left groin discomfort that's  
21 worse with standing and walking. So discomfort and  
22 pain. Are they not interchangeable?

23 Q. He does use the word discomfort; isn't  
24 that correct?

25 A. Yes.

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1 both -- both part of those would be the sling. So  
2 that's the location of the pain. That's what I  
3 mean by that. So where the sling transgresses --  
4 transgresses from the vaginal incision -- it's  
5 Advantage -- so up -- from the vagina up to the  
6 suprapubic area, that's where the sling would go.

7 Q. Would you agree that Ms. Wilkerson was  
8 an appropriate candidate for the placement of a  
9 sling?

10 A. Yes.

11 Q. And would you agree that the Advantage  
12 was an appropriate device to offer to  
13 Ms. Wilkerson?

14 A. Yes.

15 Q. And based on what you've seen, do you  
16 agree that Dr. Booth properly consented  
17 Ms. Wilkerson?

18 MR. CANTRELL: I'm going to object to  
19 the form.

20 THE WITNESS: I don't know if I have --  
21 let's see. Here's the Carolina -- I assume -- I  
22 have to see exactly what the consent states.

23 BY MS. PACKER:

24 Q. Let me ask you this: Do you happen to  
25 know Dr. Booth?